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In re Patent Application of

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD USING IT FOR DETECTING AND DISPLAYING
FORM OF INSERTION PART OF ENDOSCOPE INSERTED INTO BODY CAVITY

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMEN		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE		ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	16	MINUS	20	* =	0	X	(\$9 SE or \$18)	\$ 0
INDEP.	6	MINUS	6	** =	0	X	(\$43 SE or \$86)	\$ 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						X	(\$145 SE or \$290)	\$ 0
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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ☐ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.